

REMARKS / CONCLUSION

The present application now contains 24 claims, numbered 1-23 and 29.

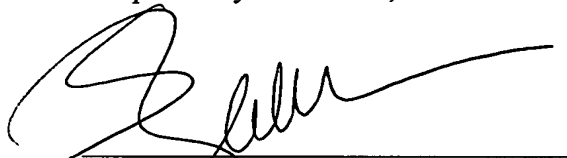
On page 4 of the Office Action, the Examiner has indicated that claims 1-23 and 29 are allowable.

In addition, an amendment to claim 1 has been made, thus overcoming the Examiner's objection on page 2 of the Office Action. Consistent amendments have been made to claims 3 and 29.

In view of the foregoing, Applicant is of the view that claims 1-23 and 29 are in allowable form. Favourable reconsideration is requested. Early allowance of the Application is earnestly solicited.

If the application is not considered to be in full condition for allowance, for any reason, the Applicant respectfully requests the constructive assistance and suggestions of the Examiner in drafting one or more acceptable claims pursuant to MPEP 707.07(j) or in making constructive suggestions pursuant to MPEP 706.03 so that the application can be placed in allowable condition as soon as possible and without the need for further proceedings.

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